MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MARIA CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

NOVEMBER 4, 2014

INVOCATION:
Pastor Rick Bloom of Pacific Christian Church gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:
Councilmember Orach led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT
Councilmembers Boysen, Green, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
City Manager Haydon, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Community Development Appel, Deputy City Manager Barnhard, Police Chief Martin, Fire Chief Orr, Director of Recreation and Parks Posada, Acting Director of Public Works/City Engineer Springer, Director of Utilities Sweet, Deputy City Manager Tse, Director of Administrative Services Visé, Utilities Engineer Kahn, Utilities Services Manager Long, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS:

A. PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING CITY EMPLOYEES
Mayor Patino and Police Chief Martin presented Utilities Department employees Robert Cossa, George Torres, and Douglas Shearer with commendations for their successful efforts in locating a missing-at-risk juvenile.

Police Chief Martin thanked Mr. Cossa, Mr. Torres, and Mr. Shearer for making the effort to assist police officers in locating the missing youth.

B. RETIREMENT OF DIRECTOR OF THE SANTA MARIA VALLEY BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
Councilmember Orach read Resolution No. 2014-124 recognizing and commending Director of the Santa Maria Valley Boys & Girls Club, Bill Libbon, for his 40 years of service to the organization.

Resolution No. 2014-124 was adopted on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Green, Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2014-124 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, COMMENDING BILL LIBBON FOR HIS 40 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB.

Bill Libbon thanked the City Council and City staff for their support explaining that his passion for his career began in the City of Santa Maria with the Recreation and Parks Department.

C. PROCLAMATION - 50th ANNIVERSARY OF PATHPOINT.
Councilmember Zuniga presented a Proclamation in recognition of PathPoint's 50th Anniversary offering comprehensive training and support services to individuals with disabilities or disadvantages allowing them to live and work as valued members of the community. Emiko Gerber and Gail Dannenbring accepted the Proclamation.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:
There were no requests to speak.

City Manager Haydon announced the promotion of Acting Public Works Director/City Engineer Shad Springer to the position of Director of Utilities effective December 13, 2014, the day after Director of Utilities Sweet retires, and gave an overview of his qualifications.

Mr. Springer stated that he was honored by the appointment and thanked Council and City staff for their support.

City Manager Haydon announced the promotion of Utilities Engineer Steve Kahn to the position of Director of Public Works/City Engineer effective November 15, 2014, and gave an overview of his qualifications.

Mr. Kahn thanked the Council for their support and said that he was looking forward to a smooth transition into the new position and working with the other departments.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:
Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3H were approved on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Orach, Green, Boysen, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

A. ORDINANCES
The reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions was waived. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the same vote cast at the first reading unless City Council indicated otherwise.

B. MINUTES
The Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of October 21, 2014, were approved as submitted.

C. WARRANTS
Warrant Nos. 189388 to 189664 totaling $1,859,028.10 were ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services. Warrant Nos. 187601 and 189302 were cancelled.

D. PAYROLL
Payment of payroll was ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Heads, as shown on records on file in the Department of Administrative Services and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services.

E. ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL GRANT
The City Council authorized the appropriation of $24,800 to be allocated to the Santa Maria Police Department under the provisions of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Minor Decoy/Shoulder Tap Grant, in concert with the terms and conditions contained therein.

Resolution No. 2014-125 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROPRIATING FUNDING UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL MINOR DECOY/SHOULDER TAP GRANT #14-MPG18.

F. NOTICE OF CONTRACT COMPLETION
The City Council approved the Notice of Contract Completion for Bid No. 2014/07 Dena & Bay Concrete Improvement Project, and directed the Chief Deputy City Clerk to record the same.

G. SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY
The City Council authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a purchase agreement for $4,540 to sell remnant parcels totaling 0.0434 acres (1,890 square feet) of excess City-owned property on South Depot Street to H&R Santa Barbara Investments, LLC for parking and landscaping.

Resolution No. 2014-126 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE SALE OF APPROXIMATELY 0.0434 ACRES OF CITY-OWNED EXCESS PROPERTY ON SOUTH DEPOT STREET TO H&R INVESTMENTS LLC.

H. OFF-HIGHWAY MOTOR VEHICLE GRANT AGREEMENT
The City Council ratified a California State Parks Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Grant Agreement in the amount of $64,484; authorized the Director of Recreation and Parks to accept and expend the grant funds for an off-highway vehicle educational and safety program; and authorized the Director of Administrative Services to set up an account for the grant funding.

Resolution No. 2014-127 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA RATIFYING A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF

SANTA MARIA AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA OFF-HIGHWAY MOTOR VEHICLE RECREATION DIVISION.

REGULAR BUSINESS:

4. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014. Director of Administrative Services Visé gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. The City Council considered the quarterly financial report for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2014-15 and a budget amendment report approving operational and personnel changes. The beginning General Fund balance was $12.2 million and is expected (once the audit is complete) to be on budget at the end of June 2014. General Fund revenues are at 14.4 percent of projections while expenditures are at 20.7 percent of appropriations. Revenues are less than budgeted primarily because property tax revenue is not received until December and April each year.

Sales tax receipts show a 2.6 percent increase compared to last year at this time. Non-Hazardous Impacted Soils (NHIS) receipts are at 152 percent of budget, primarily because the oil companies are increasing activity. Hotel/Bed Tax is down $18,000 from last year, and License, Permits, and Fees show a $94,000 decrease as well. In the Water/Wastewater Fund, expenditures exceeded revenues by $1.9 million. The semi-annual debt service payment for the 2012AB Refunding Bonds of $3,852,000 occurred in the first quarter. In the Solid Waste Fund, revenues exceeded expenses by $69,000. Santa Maria Area Transit and Breeze Transit systems fare box revenue through the fourth quarter was $190,000. Permit revenue is at 17 percent of budget and is expected to be close to budget at year-end. Measure U Funds during the first quarter are at 27.3 percent of budget and expenditures are at 17.7 percent.

The majority of first quarter Measure U expenditures were on public safety with 48 percent spent on fire operations and 45 percent on police operations.

Staff is also recommending personnel changes related to the budget and operational changes.

Public Input.
There were no requests to speak.

Councilmember Boysen asked about the amendment to the agenda report and resolution.

City Manager Haydon explained that due to a clerical error the Management Analyst I classification was not included in the Agenda Report or Resolution as it should have been. Therefore, staff provided revised pages at the dais for Council's consideration.

Resolution No. 2014-128 was adopted approving an amendment to the 2014-15 Budget as amended to include the Management Analyst I classification on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Orach, Green, Boysen, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2014-128 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2014-15 BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT SAME.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:
City Manager Haydon reported on items for the November 18, 2014 meeting to include a number of Consent Agenda items; two Public Hearings regarding the 2014 Housing Element update and the proposed Solid Waste Rate Increase; and two Regular Business items regarding the initiation of the Downtown Specific Plan and Entrada Specific Plan amendments and an adjustment to the Measure U expenditure plan.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS):
Councilmember Boysen reported that he attended a C3H (Central Coast Council on Homelessness) Policy meeting and a Central Coast Water Authority meeting.

Councilmember Green reported that he attended the Santa Maria Veterans' Treatment Court Graduation and a Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley Monthly Board Meeting.

Councilmember Orach reported that he had been working and on vacation.

Councilmember Zuniga reported that she attended the Food Bank Empty Bowls event and New Hope Missionary Baptist Church's Installation of a new Minister. She also invited the community to attend Mayor Patino's event celebrating Sister Janet's service to humanity on Saturday, November 15 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Elwin Mussell Senior Center.

Mayor Patino reported that she attended the 13th Annual Santa Maria Empty Bowls; the EconAlliance Ag Team Meeting; the California Women for Agriculture - Santa Maria Chapter - Monthly Lunch; the Hayward Lumber Community Meeting; spoke at Country Oaks Care Center; attended the Ribbon Cutting New Public Art Mural "Celebrate the Harvest"; the Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley Monthly Board Meeting; the Marian Foundation CEO Roundtable; the S.M. Veterans Treatment Court Graduation Ceremony. She also delivered the opening statement at "Make A Difference Day", attended the Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley Free for the Weekend event; visited the Cultural Proficiency and Museum of Tolerance; spoke at the Leadership Santa Maria Valley Alumni Luncheon; attended the Antiques, Art & Americana at the Santa Maria Valley Historical Society; a Benefit for the Machado Family; the "Top Gun" Rotary fundraiser; the inauguration of the new Pastor New Hope Missionary Baptist Church; the Toys for Tots Kickoff; the Santa Maria Police Council Grant Media Announcement; and the swearing-in for Police Officer Graeme Johnson. She also interviewed on the Ben Heighes (KUHL Radio) and attended a Rotary meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

APPROVED:

November 18, 2014
Date

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk of the City of Santa Maria and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

ATTEST:

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk